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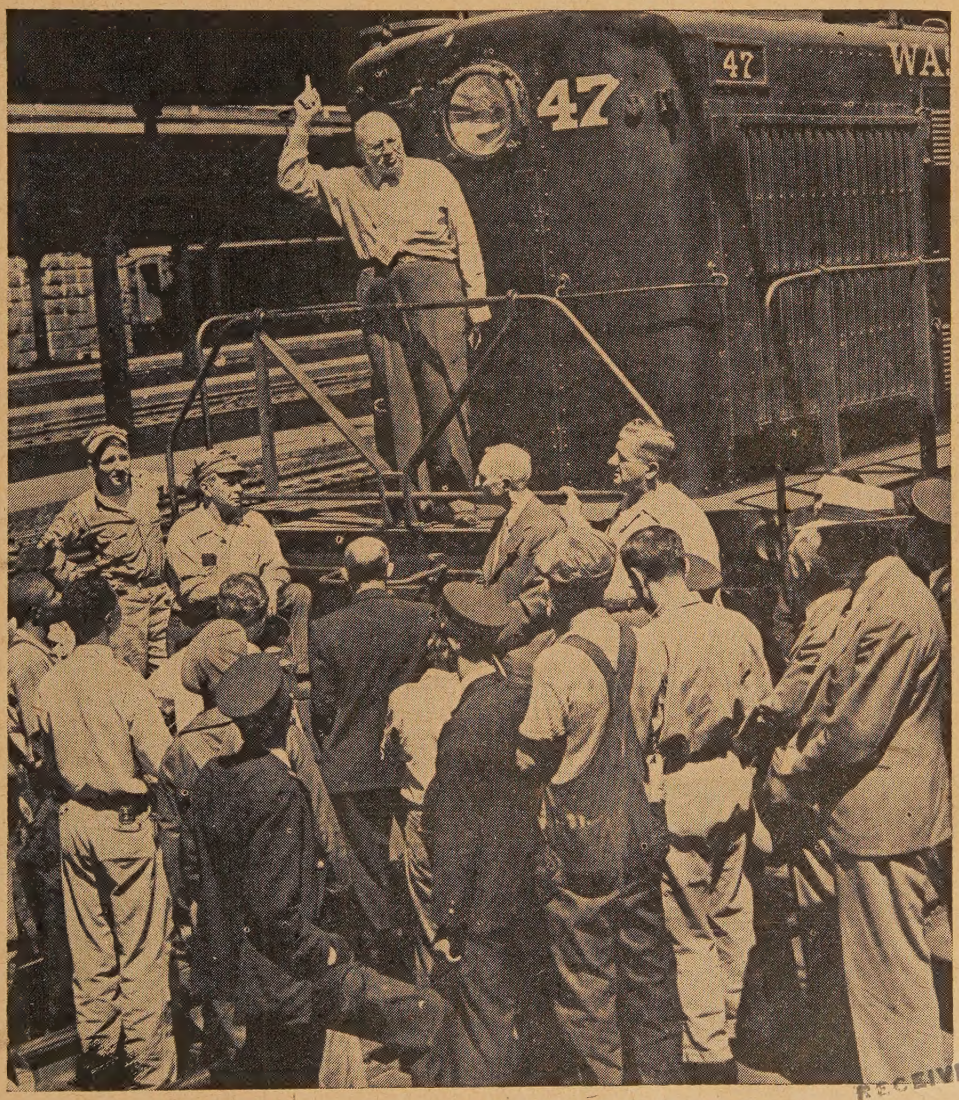

CHRIST IS THE ANSWER TO THE LABOR PROBLEM

(See Joseph Gritter's "Call to Christian Action" on page 7)

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Readers Say—

All Protestants Pay?

To the Editor:

When I boarded a San Francisco street car the other day two nuns got on and presented their passes. Upon inquiry of the Public Utilities Commission, I received the following interesting information from Mr. N. A. Eckart, acting manager of utilities:

"For eighty-one years it has been the custom of all transit companies in San Francisco to carry free of charge Sisters of Charity of the Catholic denomination in their garb.

"This has been in effect since 1867 when the services of the Sisters of Charity in stemming a small-pox epidemic and providing free nursing facilities for the sick of all faiths, who would otherwise have been unattended, were recognized by action of the Board of Supervisors granting them this service. Priests pay their fares."

ABBOTT BOOK

San Francisco, Calif.

Further Clarification

To the Editor:

For the sake of keeping the record clear, a further statement needs to be made concerning the relation of NAE to the Accrediting Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges.

The statement that under the leadership of the NAE Commission on Evangelical Educational Institutions "the Bible Institutes have been encouraged to establish a national accrediting association which is now functioning as an independent organization" was misleading and a correction was in order. However, in Dr. S. H. Sutherland's letter published July 15 in this column, it was stated that the "National Association of Evangelicals had nothing whatever to do with the establishing of the Accrediting Association." I feel this statement fails to do justice to the part that NAE affiliates had in projecting the one accrediting agency, for under the auspices of the NAE Commission on Evangelical Educational Institutions some definite spade work was done leading up to the AABSBC.

Here is the record: The first sizeable gathering of Bible school representatives who took steps to form an accrediting association was held at the NAE Convention in Minneapolis in April, 1946. Twenty-eight schools were represented. A name was adopted, "The North American Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges." Committees were formed to work on a constitution, on standards, and procedures in view of a constitutional meeting in 1947. There was unanimity of conviction that an association of Bible schools should be formed which should include accreditation as one of its functions.

Later, another group of Bible school leaders met in January, 1947, to establish an accrediting agency that would be wholly separate from any other ecclesiastical organizations. Eight or nine schools were represented. A temporary organization was formed under the name "The American Association of Bible Schools; The Accrediting Agency of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges." In this meeting some fine work was done in determining standards for the collegiate level.

When the NAE group (NAABIBC) convened several months later in Omaha for its constitutional meeting, the big question before the representatives of thirty-three schools was what course should be pursued in view of two accrediting agencies beginning in the same field. It was the feeling of all present that it would be unfortunate if two agencies were to compete in this same field, and that an attempt should be made to form a single agency. It was decided to go ahead with our organization but seek a rapprochement with the other group to see if one agency could be formed. The NAABIBC was willing to drop its accrediting function if a single agency could be formed on acceptable principles.

Happily, negotiations between the two groups proved successful, and a joint letter of invitation, signed by the officers of the two groups, was sent

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ECCLESIASTICAL OCTOPUS

1. Introducing The Federal Council of Churches

ERNEST GORDON *

IE Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America vas the culmination of a con-iderable movement for Chris-cooperation which began in when the American branch of vangelical Alliance was organ-y William E. Dodge, Sr., and Philip Schaff, with the excel-osiah Strong as its executive. Evangelical Alliance occasion-ntervened for the defense of stants in Roman Catholic lands et up an annual Week of Pray-ng observed. Apart from this ears not to have done much. *Report of the FCC, 1940,* explains that "the desire for r unity and the desire to bring nessage of the churches of to bear upon moral and social through unified effort" were ominant motives of those who d the Federal Council. In 1895 pen and Institutional Church e was formed with Rev. E. B. rd as Secretary, calling on the nes for greater social activity. st in the now nearly forgotten utional church" was then pread. Rallying to this League such men with quickened con-es for the church's public re-bilities as Frank Mason North, F. Ward, Graham Taylor and ton Williams. Messrs. Wil-E. Dodge and John S. Huyler l it financially.

1899 William E. Dodge of the gelical Alliance presided over a meeting out of which grew the National Federation of Churches. In this merged various local federations of churches, local branches of the Evangelical Alliance, and apparently the aforesaid Institutional Church League, for Mr. Sanford was executive of both this League and its successor— a resourceful man, whose *History of the Federal Council* has a distinctly Boswellian flavor. A committee of this National Federation issued a call to the denominations to send representatives to a conference for even wider federation. This was held in 1905 in Carnegie Hall, banker Stephen Baker largely underwriting it. The first week of December 1908, in the Academy of Music, Philadelphia, all these rivulets of cooperation debouched into the Federal Council of Churches. Whereat the admirable Elias B. Sanford, who had guided things so successfully, broke out with,

"What hath God wrought! To Him be all glory, world without end!"

Mr. Sanford was chosen Corresponding Secretary. In a statement made somewhat earlier he had shown his Christian colors. The change which in subsequent years has come over the Federal Council is clear to any one who compares this statement with the Council's present theological temper:

> Loyalty to Christ is rooted in *the great essential truths of revelation disclosed in the Incarnation, Atoning Grace, and glorious Resurrection of our divine Lord and Redeemer.* These are the realities of faith that form the bond of unity that is drawing believers closer together in their recognition of their oneness in Christ. This faith holds to the Gospel of the Son of God as the supreme remedy for all ills. *To bring this Gospel to every creature is the chief duty of discipleship.*

In his opening address at the first FCC meeting, Dr. W. M. Roberts made similar affirmation of evangelical faith. The churches joining together were "in accord upon *the great fundamentals* . . . the doctrines which assert the deity of Christ, the authority of the Bible, and the primacy of faith in Jesus Christ as the condition of salvation for all men." There was an evangelistic address at this initial meeting by Dr. Wilbur Chapman such as would be inconceivable at a FCC convention today.

When President Eliot of Harvard sought to secure entrance of Unitarianism into the Council he received scant notice even though he had brought with him, as protective coloring, Governor Long of Massachusetts, also a Unitarian but the idol of Massachusetts churches because of his splendid temperance record.

Bishop Hendrix was chosen at Philadelphia as the first president of the FCC. In a brilliant address he made this parallel:

> There has been formed, registered, and shaped in large measure, the Federal Union of thirty-three great Christian churches, aggregating in number of communicants eighteen million, six times the original number of souls gathered into our American Union.

It is the dominant note of the FCC, here first struck, but echoed unceasingly through subsequent years.

Dr. Charles S. Macfarland was in 1910 made General Secretary of the Commission on the Church and Social Service "up to that year the only active department of the new organization." Somewhat later, Rev. Harry F. Ward was his assistant (*The Churches of the FCC*, p. 264). The following year Dr. Macfarland was made executive secretary of the Council which, as he described it, was then "little more than a constitution, a small office, and a typewriter . . ." the enthusiasm of the Carnegie Hall conference of 1905 and the Philadelphia organizational gathering having "considerably evaporated, especially when it was discovered that it was going to cost something." But the new secretary was a resourceful man who finally mobilized the necessary finance to

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keep the Council afloat. For many years he was its driving force, another illustration of the fact that ordinarily individuals count rather than aggregations and organizations (*Across the Years,* pp. 87-92).

In the formal *Letter-Missive* sent the churches to announce the FCC's birth it was affirmed that

> The practical possibilities of combining and concentrating by some systematic federation the scattered forces of the church for abatement of civic and national evils . . . were set forth with convincing earnestness . . . By it *the power lost in friction may be transformed into propelling force (FCC of America, Report of First Meeting,* pp. 510, 508).

At the preliminary conference of 1905 in Carnegie Hall, high hopes were dominant. Dr. John R. Mott declared its action "The greatest and most significant accomplishment by any religious gathering ever held in America." Then he went on to prophesy,

> The potentialities of the federative action taken in Carnegie Hall are limitless. There will be vast economies . . . Far heavier blows will be dealt against various forms of iniquity and injustice. A much more rapid, complete and effective occupation of fields both at home and abroad is made practicable. A great step has been taken in the direction of presenting to an unbelieving world the mightiest and most convincing apologetic *(Origin and History of the FCC,* p. 239).

Each of these predictions has been falsified in the subsequent years. We have seen useless expenditure instead of economies; the blows against iniquities and injustices have been on paper only; instead of presenting to an unbelieving world a mighty apologetic, the FCC has itself been saturated with unbelief.

It started well. It might perhaps have done much. A neo-Unitarianism has given to it the kiss of death as it has done to so many of our seminaries, schools, colleges, Sunday school agencies, missions at home and abroad, publishing houses, denominational machines.

It has no spiritual future. It is dead at the heart. The sooner "young men arise, wind it up, carry it out, and bury it" the better.

One or two general observations may be allowed. As to church union one can justly say that it has its rootage in an historical mistake. It is but one more variant of the old cry "come, let *us* build." The good souls who started the FCC assumed that, if churches only united, all things would go well. So they united and united and are still uniting and things do not go well. Incompatibles are united. Splits often follow. No important consequences are observable. The recent union of English Methodism has been followed by a continuous decline in membership. It is the cult of numbers, of magnitude. It has enlarged the opportunities for unbelieving penetration and intrigue.

Spiritual growth, as church history clearly shows, takes the opposite course. Throughout the Middle Ages vital Christianity survived only in heroic dissent from the mighty unit of oppression and darkness which dominated Europe. One can but be glad of the fission which separated the Eastern and Western churches. If they had "all been one," civilization would never have survived.

It was the departure from unity which gave us the Reformation with its multitudinous blessings. It was nonconformity to the less consequent reformations which produced Puritan and Quaker, Anabaptist and Mennonite. When the Primitive Methodists broke from English Methodism, streams of fresh blessing were opened up, not only by the seceding body but in its parent. How much more fruitful has been the Free Church of the Baud (Geneva) than the old, hard, sceptical church from which it went out—not only in evangelism and missions and moral leadership but in erudition. How much more profitable for Scotland was recession in the forties under Chalmers than reunion in 1900 under Rainey. And in Holland, it has been the seceding church with Kuyper which has kept alive the Christian faith of the land and even revived the old church.

In America and in our own time the future of foreign missions now lies with those who are leaving the old and sclerotic societies, once so useful because evangelical, and are pioneering new developments world over.

Organization is too commonly the foe of the Holy Spirit's operation. It is only one more outworking of the old antinomy between works and faith, between human self-sufficiency and the divine choice of the humble.

All this, the ecclesiastical theoreticians of 1905-08 overlooked when they gathered together to bring the American churches into an overall unit.

And as to the other side of the double program—

In those early days a rash forums for "social" discussion br out over the face of the coun Books on "social Christianity" po ed from the press: sermons w taken up with the matter. movement became rather clo identified with the neo-Unitarian which was infiltrating the se naries and many churches. Th tendencies eventually gained con in the new FCC organiza although at first evangeli representation was strong.

Strictly speaking there is no s thing as a "social gospel." Gospel is the *kerygma,* the procla tion, which interpenetrates the w New Testament. It is the annou ment of deliverance from and death by the redeem cross of Christ. There is no so salvation says Dr. Jean F (*La Personalite Biologique l'Homme*):

> Salvation is a purely individual t Its work must be repeated over and for each human soul. Children can inherit the holiness of parents. Jesus compassion on the multitude but it each individual of the crowd tha pitied.

Whether designedly or not, "social" current turned the atte of the churches from their ce task to the secondary things.

The movement has been on whole sterile. It lives under sign of the quill and the inkpot. reasonable Christians long fo cial relief and social justice but movement of social talk and s writing has ended with talk writing. At the present time a effective social reconstruction i ing built up in the Canadian ince of Alberta by men who ne write nor talk—at least in ger ities. Its leaders, Messrs. Abe and Manning, have been heads little Prophetic Institute. The looking for the coming of the Jesus Christ. While waiting fo "far-off, divine event," they ar neglectful of the wounds an justices of society and have bu a dominant political party and ried through a large scheme o age insurance, free hospitaliz and all the rest that the Rauschenbusch, Mathews, an others merely dreamed of.

It is easy to move resolutions move mountains one "must ha faith of God" (Mark 11:22, ginal rendering). With the fa God will come the blessing o on social as on all other effort

(To Be Continued)

CHRIST IS THE CURE FOR JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

ARNOLD PETERSON *

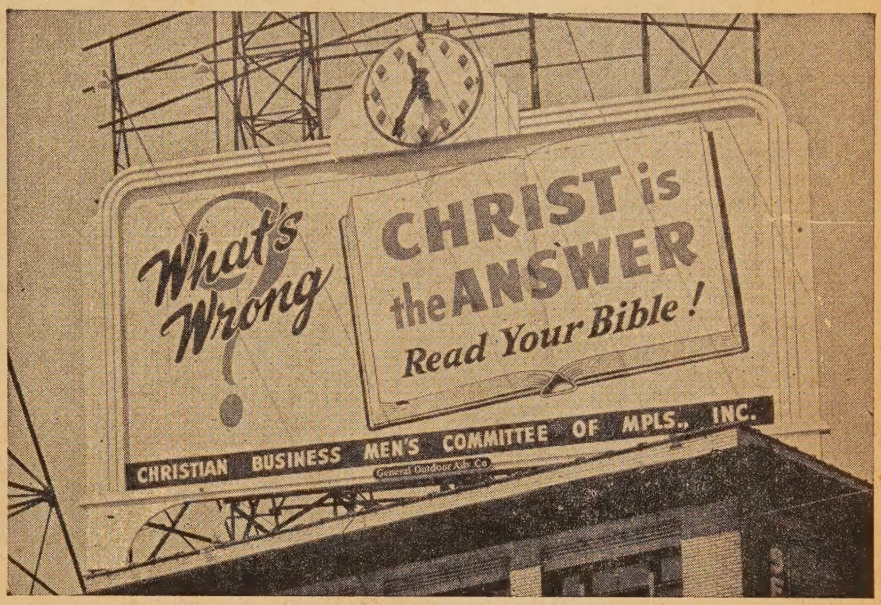
RIME among the juveniles is probably America's greatest moral problem. The majority riminal offenses are being com-ed by teen-agers. They have no rence for God and thus no re-t for authority.

s Protestant chaplain in the neapolis Juvenile Court, I have many experiences that support firm belief that the Lord Jesus st has the only solution to juve- delinquency. And as a repre-ative of the Minneapolis Hos-ity House Christian Center, I e been able to help many children young people to a saving knowl-e of Him—and to a reorganized rehabilitated life.

few months ago a girl seven- years of age—a senior in high ol—ran away from home with intention of never coming back. met a girl friend, and with two s, was gone for about four days, n she was picked up by the iff. She was brought back to city and spent the night in jail.

read the case history of her ily and found her mother had divorced and remarried several s. The girl had been illegiti-ely born. She was very unhappy er home, and told me not long that because she had dropped a n eggs while coming from the e, her mother took her into the ment, beat her severely and then w her across the basement floor, ng off a finger nail.

or six months, while on proba- she pleaded that she might be ed in a home. She lost interest verything—including school and ch. The stern mother would not ent to it, but swore vilely at her er presence. This girl was re-ed to me for home placement rdless of the action of the ner.



Massive signboard atop CBMC's Hospitality House, Minneapolis, where Chaplain Peterson makes his headquarters.

I had the joy of telling her the Gospel story, emphasizing John 5:24—a present-tense hope. In my office she bowed her head and accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her own personal Saviour. I took her to a fine home where she has become a part of the family. She is continuing her studies in high school and now wants to teach a Sunday School class. She is determined to prove that she can make a success, and in the new home, no doubt, she will.

A little boy of twelve years—with a stepmother who had no mother-love for him—became a little thief, stealing from many stores. He was also a purse snatcher. Because he was so unhappy in his home he hid out in his neighborhood for one week. Sleeping most of the time under porches and other hiding places, he stole his food from grocery stores during the day. I really thought that here was a tough little character, but soon saw it differently. His family gladly gave up this boy and I placed him on a farm some 100 miles from the city.

The folks who took him are a middle-aged couple without children of their own, desiring the company of a little boy. He has been in this home now for more than six months and they have had no trouble with him. This boy blossomed out into an average, fine chap—just in need of a little love and consideration.

Frequently I visit the institutions, especially those of our county. This past week I visited the County Home School for Boys. I found it to have the usual capacity load. Many of the boys are being recommitted because they have no place to go—just victims of circumstances that they are not responsible for.

Many of these we have been able to take and successfully place. Two were referred to me that day. While there I was able to lead a little twelve year old chap to the Lord. He had been a thief since ten years old. How clearly he understood, with his sparkling eyes looking up into my face . . . which moved me to be even more burdened for these for whom Christ died.

Adult Delinquency

Juvenile delinquency is but an outgrowth of adult delinquency—delinquent parents have delinquent children. Just this week I saw brought up to jail for drunkenness the father and mother of a fifteen year old delinquent daughter. This is but

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Ir. Peterson is the Protestant chap-of the Minneapolis (Minn.) Juvenile t.

typical of many we could name. The son will be no better than his father, the daughter no better than her mother. A godless, Bible-less, drunken father will produce an equally worthless son. A cocktail drinking, smoking, gad-about mother will produce a loose-living and pleasure-loving daughter.

Delinquency has been mounting to a startling figure, which seems to threaten society. I believe the day in which we live has much to do with this. The Scripture says that "man will wax worse and worse" down to the end. They shall be "lovers of pleasure more than the lovers of God."

The past twenty-five or thirty years have brought about a great change in our modes of living. I well remember, as a boy twenty-five years ago, that it didn't take too much to entertain me. I was content with a humble farm home and found delight with family get-togethers and small house parties. Such things seem to be quite tame these days.

It was a quite rare thing then to hear of divorce—in fact, it was a disgrace and one had to leave the community in order to live it down. In that day they had the saloons with their bars, but no girl or woman would ever think of going in. Today our cities and towns are full of glorified saloons, with the colored lights. Young woman and men think nothing about frequenting them, sitting in a booth and taking the so-called friendly drink. This younger generation is to be pitied because sin has been glamorized.

A questionnaire was sent to 18,000 high school young people, and out of this group 16,000 could not name three prophets in the Old Testament, 12,000 could not name the four Gospels, 10,000 could not name three apostles. But very few young people today would have any trouble naming their favorite movie stars—and these movie stars become their ideals, setting the tempo for their lives. The virtue of our youth is fast fading away.

No doubt the movies play a big part in the delinquency of our youth. It is probably the fountain-head of much of our sex crimes and murder.

The breakdown of morals among our youth is the direct result of throwing the Bible out of the homes and schools, and out of the churches of America. Boys and girls are already reaping the result. Few homes are to be found these days with the family altar, when the smallest to the oldest is gathered about the Word.

The only hope for our youth is God. Parents must get back to God and set the example. They should begin living for their Lord in the home by immediately establishing a time each day when they gather their family together for prayer and the reading of the Bible. Then, by God's help, they should endeavor to lead their children to the Saviour, who in turn will keep them from the pollutions of this world.

Basically, juvenile delinquency stems from the home breakdown. Children are losing respect for parents—thus they have no reverence for God nor fear of authority, and because of this they become a problem to society itself.

A Program of Prevention

One of the best ways of combating the problem is a prevention program — that is, do something for young people before they become delinquent. Hospitality House, a project of the Christian Businessmen's Committee of Minneapolis, has done much in this respect. Hospitality House — which during the war was used as a servicemen's center, serving our boys in uniform—is now a Christian down-town youth center with a powerful program for our youth.

This Center also has become headquarters for young people coming in from out in the state who are not acquainted with the large city.

The need for such a center was driven home to me especially by a probation officer of our court who cited to me a case where five girls came into our city two years ago. During this time they never attended any church and were not active in any youth program. Two of these girls gave birth to illegitimate babies. One of the girls, with whom I consulted while in jail, murdered her baby with an ice pick. Certainly there is a job to be done with such before crimes are committed.

The staff of the Hospitality House is interested in the problems of our youth, and have been recognized by our Mayor Humphrey, the police department, and the juvenile court.

Some two years ago an invitation was given to us to supply a Protestant chaplain in the court. Later, at our invitation, fourteen officials—including judges and probation officers—came to Hospitality Hous discuss the possibilities.

We were informed that for m than twenty years the Roman C olic church has been active dire in the court with a full-time re sentative. Nothing was being d for the boys and girls of Protes faith. That day I was accepted the juvenile court to be the Prot ant representative and have g myself to that end until now. work has been most interesting especially gratifying because of results that we have been able to

Much of my time is spent in ho calling, acquainting myself with family, and coming along into court hearing with the father mother and their delinquent ch One of the things that makes work profitable is because we k in touch with such youngsters—t being able to follow with a Go testimony.

We have been active in gett many boys and girls into the chu and Sunday school program — making a contact with the pastor a home call.

Another phase of my work been that of home placements. have stated in this article the pr lem of the home break-down and delinquency that comes as a re of it—drunken fathers and moth inconsiderate stepmothers and st fathers, etc. The problem here, the judge, is knowing what to with that youngster. He can't s him home because the child mi continue to be a problem. His d sion would be an institution. I h been able to place such children v successfully in Christian home placing the boys in farm homes a the girls in city homes.

The probation officers of Juvenile Court give me very fine operation referring certain cases me with which I keep active. keep a regular file in which I ha more than 100 cases. I keep separate record of each case, dat each visitation, and a running inv tory of the happenings. All of th cases are on probation to differ probation officers.

We now have become a licen agency — which required that have a qualified social worker our staff. Several were interview by Geo. S. England, the execut director of the Hospitality Hou and myself. We could only acc one with a born-again experien

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CALL TO CHRISTIAN ACTION!

A Labor Day Message to Evangelicals

JOSEPH GRITTER

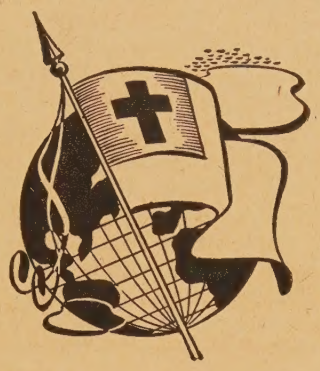
s quite undeniable, it seems me, that practically all the or problems with which the s of the world are confronted riginated in, or are the results nditions and relationships in cial-economic realm.

e the case of Russia. Com- n came into being historically, result of intolerable economic ions. Whether or not it is the principles of Karl Marx not discuss, but the fact re- that his theory of proletarian ance through class-conflict was ut into practice in that nation. its inception only thirty years has developed into a force s presently threatening the m of all people: politically, nically and religiously.

stern European and American s are now frantically trying p Communism. A solution be found. In England a dilut- cialism is being tried, in other s on the continent no definite am has been adopted and var- roups are fighting for control. uth American countries social- mic problems have led to re- ons and counter revolutions, some strong man assumed orial powers. In every nation no dictator has arisen the con- ion or fall of a government ds largely upon its success or e in solving the social-economic ems of the day.

at is true also of our nation. the platform of the political s. They deal almost entirely social-economic questions, ng, taxes, labor laws, social ity, public health, minimum s, high prices, etc. Those are roblems of the day.

s frightening to note that both s, although widely divergent in of the methods they intend to y, are committed to the old conflict social order which is reeding ground of Communism. platform of one reflects the oint of one organization that owerful influence in the eco- life of the nation, the platform



of the other that of another organization that is equally influential in that field. It is a foregone conclusion that whoever wins is going to be opposed by the other during the next several years, so that class conflict is definitely assured.

The disturbing part of it is this: that the warring parties will be playing right into the hands of Communism, and it is from that viewpoint not at all surprising that the Cominform is smugly assured that sooner or later our nation too will easily fall a prey to its machinations.

Are then our national leaders so blind that they do not see that? Perhaps not. But, they do not know what other course to pursue. They have no real anti-dote for Communism.

Godless Philosophies

Why is that? The answer is that the social-economic ideology or philosophy of our nation is in essence, in principle, basically, one with that of Communism. Both are godless. Let me repeat that, lest you miss it: BOTH ARE GODLESS.

The Communist philosophy denies that there is a personal, living God. That is why its entire program deals with men and their earthly welfare only. The political-social-economic philosophy by which our nation lives is equally godless. It does not proceed from the premise that there is a personal, living God who is sovereign over all, before whom all nations and men must bow.

The objection may be made that our nation has a Christian background, and that assemblies and conventions are generally opened with a prayer. That is true, but that Christian background has long ago lost its original meaning and influence. And the "prayers" offered by some cleric at the opening of assemblies and conventions are a mere form, in which some undefined and vague power is called upon but not the God of the Scriptures. Immediately after such invocations the deity called upon is conveniently forgotten. There is not in the councils of the organizations and bodies that influence the course of our nation that recognition of God which implies bowing before Him and testing the rightness and justice of contemplated decisions by His written Word. The first consideration is not, what is the will of *God* in this matter, what does His word teach us concerning it, but, what is the will of the majority in this matter, or what will benefit *us* most? Thus, because opposing groups are not led by a common standard of divinely given rules of conduct but by selfish interests, there must be conflict.

Thus our nation is vulnerable to Communism. The godless soil in which it flourishes is being prepared and fertilized. However Communism is not our only danger. Any godless system, no matter what its name, must eventually lead us to an abyss in which our precious liberties will be lost.

The Sovereignty of God

Only one solution of our problem is possible. That is: the godless philosophy which now determines the course of our social-economic life must be replaced by a God-centered philosophy. The Scriptures teach that human conduct and relations are not to be determined by the desires or the will of men but must be in harmony with the laws and directives given in that same word of God. Failure to recognize and honor them is basically the reason for all the disharmony and confusion and hatred among mankind. The only hope of mankind,

here and everywhere, is in a return to the divinely given basic laws for relationships among men, given expression in justice for all in accordance with the position in life given them of God. In such a program a solution of our social-economic problems is possible.

How is such a program to be set in motion and given practical application? That is a problem in itself, and a big one. Nevertheless, it is not impossible to accomplish it. Next to God it will depend upon the faith, courage and sacrifice of the orthodox Christians, who believe in the living God.

What Can We Do?

What is the duty of the Church of Christ in this matter? Should the Church take an active part in the attainment of such a program? Our answer is two-fold: First of all, we agree with those who contend that the Church as an organized body ought not to be actively engaged in any social movement. However, that does not mean that the organized Church should not exert its influence through its testimony. That testimony must be given, unmistakably clear, both publicly and privately. The Church has the duty to call the nation back to God. Isn't it perhaps because the Church has failed to do so in the past that we have come to the present godless national life? The voice of the true Church of Christ, as distinguished from the modernists, must be heard, proclaiming the authority of the living God.

Secondly: there must be organized activity, not by the Church as such but by its members. The Church must awaken them to the consciousness of their duties, must instruct them, warn and guard them against unchristian affiliations, and give them guidance in regard to the discharge of their obligations as Christian men and women. It is up to the members to carry it out. But, by members we do not mean merely lay members. In organized activity toward application of Christian principles the ministers of the Word have their duties as well as other members of the Church. They can and should give leadership in such organizations, not in their capacity as ministers of the Word but as Christian men and citizens of the Kingdom of Christ.

Such organized Christian activity is needed all along the line, in politics, in business, in the professions, in the labor field. And in all of them able Christian leadership is essential.

Because of their importance in the social-economic field Christian labor unions are perhaps more greatly needed than any other type of organization. That is where the battles that will determine the future course of our nation are being fought. Christian principles are practically unknown in that field. Witness the class conflicts which abound and which have been controlled to some extent only through restrictive legislation. If there is any harmony between accomplishments of existing neutral organizations and Christian principles that is not because the organizations have taken that course in obedience to the word of God but because such a course happened to be beneficial to the membership. In other words, it is only accidental.

Christianity does not condone class conflict. Christian employers and workers may not engage in it. The Scriptures demand love for one another, interest in and promotion of one another's well-being. Nevertheless Christian workers are compelled oft-times to become parties to it because of the economic hold which unchristian organizations have upon them.

A Christian Labor Union

There is in our nation a Christian labor movement already in existence. It was organized by men who believe in the necessity of organization by Christian workers for the promotion of justice in the labor field. These men were convinced also that the Bible requires separation from organizations that are not based on Christian principles. The name of the movement is the Christian Labor Association of the United States of America. It is based on Christian principles. The articles of its Constitution dealing with basis and aim read as follows:

> The Christian Labor Association (CLA) bases its program and activities on the Christian principles of social justice as taught in the Bible.
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> The aim of the CLA is: to organize workers in trade and industrial unions, for the purpose of propagating, establishing and maintaining justice in the sphere of labor and industry, and promoting the material and moral interests of the workers through the practical application of Christian principles in collective bargaining and other means of mutual aid or protection.

The CLA is a bona fide labor movement, recognized as such by the National Labor Relations Board and the U. S. Department of Labor. It has negotiated many contracts various industries after having certified by the NLRB as barg ing agent for the employees. It lieves in arbitration of dispute recognizes the rights of emplo and employees respectively and motes the welfare of both. It exerted influence upon legisla bodies for the enactment of leg tion that reflects Christian princi in human relationships.*

The CLA is entirely free f church domination. It is in a s inter-confessional, since it accept members all who confess belie the Christian principles of life set forth in the Holy Scriptu regardless of their church affilia That, of course, should be a uisite in any Christian social m ment. Doctrinal differences do enter into consideration of poli or social-economic problems.

It is my belief that the NAE o to become active in the applica of Christian principles in the so structure, if not as an organiza then through the influence it exert upon, and the leadership it give to, the members of the var churches affiliated with it.

The time is now! In our na we may still raise our voices unison, to proclaim our convicti If we do not use that privileg may be taken from us.

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Christ Is the Cure

(Continued from page 6)

The Lord has led in this, for a Baptist woman with much prac experience has accepted this positi

There is a tremendous job to done in the Juvenile Court, an can only be done as the funds c in. This work is a faith work we are looking to the Lord to su abundantly. We will need to crease the staff. There is als paramount need for a large hous place boys and girls from bro homes for temporary custody. W an opportunity that would be to them one by one to the Lord J Christ! Christ is the answer delinquency of both parents their children. "Christ is Ameri only hope!"

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*The CLA is interested in extendin influence and activity. It is anxiou get contact with Christian workers ev where, with a view toward establis local Christian labor unions. Any i vidual or group interested in the m ment can correspond with Joseph Gri secretary CLA, 1049 Grandville A S. W., Grand Rapids 9, Mich.

UEA EDITORIAL

VASTATING DOCUMENT

E begin in this issue Ernest Gordon's analysis of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. It will continue for at en issues.

Vnited Evangelical Action has had much to bout the Federal Council because it is a live We desire more than anything else to see a orthodox medium devised for effective Chris- ooperation in America. We sincerely believe he FCCCA is a serious obstacle to such co- tion. Through the National Association of gelicals we are constructively moving toward bal, but we cannot well ignore the FCCCA. We deal with it objectively and factually or con- o being "as blind as a bat."

e have read almost everything that has been or and against the FCCCA in the past twenty . In that time we have never seen anything en by an evangelical that reveals more careful and research than Mr. Gordon's "An Eccles- al Octopus." He measures the FCCCA leader- nd its program by the yardstick of "the faith or all delivered"; he weighs it in the balances inds it wanting.

Vhen we showed the first four installments professor in one of our leading theological aries he remarked, "This is a potent docu- " Then he pondered a bit and said, "Perhaps t is not the word. It is *devastating*."

Ve venture to say that Mr. Gordon has made tribution to the field of Christian cooperation will make history. Don't miss a single install- !

JAMES DEFOREST MURCH

VE AS BRETHREN

spite of the differences which underlie the re- tionships between the National Association of vangelicals and the American Council of tian Churches, we ought to stop periodically flect upon those things in which we are united. is we do not mean that all concerned should an unrealistic attitude or act as though dif- ces did not exist. When earnest people are aded in their own minds yet do not agree with nother, then a real difference may be said to To pretend otherwise is either to demonstrate own insincerity, or to imply insincerity or w conviction in one's differing brother.

ven though by discussion and careful defini- of terms we may discover that the difference en us and our American Council brethren are han had been generally imagined yet certainly are real differences between us.

ut ours is certainly the spiritual unity which aracteristic of all believers in Christ—all who are truly born again. For although pure orthodoxy in itself may fall short of actual appropriating faith, yet God has given to our brethren as unto us the witness of the Spirit within and of fruit without to the effect that we are one in Christ.

Again, ours is a unity in the great historic Christian faith, and in the hope of the world to come. Most enduringly, ours is a unity of Christian love. We would all agree, I am sure, that when we shall gather in our Father's Kingdom those differences having to do with our faith and hope will presently disappear and we shall know as we are known. These differences after all should concern our heads principally, rather than our hearts. But, divinely-imparted love is a matter of the heart, and is to abide the ages.

We have had good reason to know that our brethren of the American Council regard us in the bonds of Christian love, although this is so easily lost sight of when we are in the midst of airing our differences. The editor of the *Christian Beacon* has stated that he has love in his heart for his brethren of the N A E. We believe him in this. We have met him personally and we believe that although differing decidedly, and as we would say mistakenly, from certain aspects of the N A E's position, yet he has a warm heart toward us as brethren in the Lord.

At the closing session of the last annual NAE convention, the delegates adopted a resolution showing a growing realization on our part of this same essential oneness with our brethren. We give the text of the resolution as follows:

> Whereas, through the years during which our National Association of Evangelicals has been in existence there has been active a parallel organization, differing somewhat in certain policies of operation, but fully evangelical in its doctrine and valiant in its witness against apostasy,
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> Be it resolved that we, the NAE, do hereby declare our evangelical oneness of heart with the American Council of Christian Churches and our desire of unity of action, recognizing fully their right to represent a constituency differing from our own in certain principles of action, and further,
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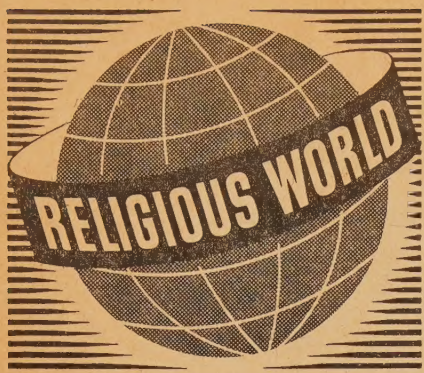
> Be it resolved that we call upon all our people to pray that God will grant both to the constituency and to the leaders of these two evangelical movements a spirit of Christian unity and charity for each other which shall effect a united front before the world and which shall remove any advantage to the cause of Satan growing out of disharmony in the ranks of evangelical Bible-believing Christians.

Conceivably it might not be in God's will and plan for the American Council and the N A E to become one organizationally as of now, but certainly He wills that the relationships between the two groups should reach a point where divine love motivates our dealings with each other sufficiently so as to be perceived and understood by the world. Let us pray and humble ourselves to that end.

STEPHEN W. PAINE



Chances for Peace

A great European statesman, when asked whether he saw any chance for permanent peace in the word, made the following observations, and told his inquirer to draw his own conclusions:

1. That seventy per cent of the people in the world are governed by instinct and emotion, and are incapable of reasoning. These are "children of trust."

2. That ten per cent of the people are militarists, convinced that only militarism can save their country from war's destruction.

3. That ten cent of the people are politicans who know how to play on the emotions of the seventy per cent for their personal profit.

4. That ten per cent of the people are reasonable folk, capable of reliable mass leadership, yet much too honest to compete with politicians for that leadership.

Moscow and Amsterdam

A Pan-Orthodox Conference meeting in Moscow early this summer largely dominated by Soviet influences voted not to participate in the World Council of Churches on the ground that the ecumenical movement pursues "mostly political, anti-democratic and not religious aims." The Moscow Patriarchate is growing in power in Eastern Orthodox Catholic circles. It is, however, meeting with some opposition in Greece, Turkey, France, the United-States and Japan. The Syrian Church of Malabar (India) is reported as moving toward Moscow. Orthodox Churches represented at Amsterdam are not affiliated with the Moscow Patriarchate.

Hungarian Communists Act

In a blow aimed primarily at Roman Catholicism but seriously affecting all religious education the Communist-controlled government of Hungary has taken over complete control of education. A total of 4,474 denominational schools have passed to the control of Communist-dominated government under a policy of nationalization. About 650,000 children attended these church schools, representing 61.5 per cent of all Hungarian school children. Staffs included 15,000 teachers. The schools, classified as lower grade, elementary, day, grammar, or so-called general schools comprise 2,797 Roman Catholic, 1,097 Reformed, and 579 Jewish or Greek Orthodox institutions. State authorities have also taken over fifty-two Roman Catholic, twenty-four Reformed, eleven Evangelical, and three Jewish high schools, with 1,718 teachers. More than 4,500 Roman priests, nuns and teachers are out of jobs. The clever hand of the Communist Internationale is seen in the procedure. First the Hungarian government declared against the union of church and state. Then it took over education. Next will come the complete secularization of the state. From this point on it will not be far to the godless revolution. Protestants who rejoiced over the first steps will live to rue the day they lent their approval.

Catholicism Is Perfect?

Roman Catholics were present as observers at the meetings of the World Council of Churches at Amsterdam last month. But the Pope made it clear that the Roman Catholic Church as such would not recognize the WCC in any way. A highly placed member of the hierarchy condemned "Una Sancta", Roman Catholic ecumenical organization, for emphasizing the idea "that non-Catholic denominations are in a position to contribute something valuable and essential to a united church—something that the Catholic Church is lacking or has lost." "The Catholic Church", he said, "cannot tolerate any implication that her Divine Founder was imperfect."

GLEANINGS

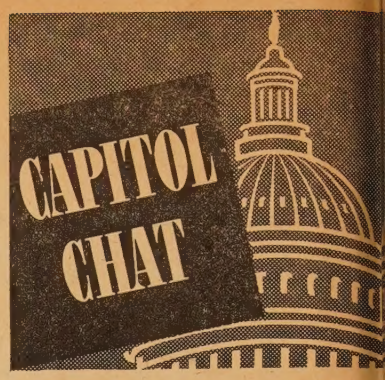
Youth at the recent Oslo World Youth conference were too nationalistic and orthodox to suit "liberal" youth leaders so now we have "the first permanent world Protestant youth body" formed at Geneva in July. It is backed by the YMCA, YWCA, World Student Christian Federation, World Council of Christian Education and the World Council of Churches. Evidently the backers never heard of Youth for Christ, International or the World Christian Endeavor Union.

The World Alliance of Presbyterian and Reformed Churches will not disband because of the formation of the World Council of Churches. Meeting at Geneva last month this body, representing 40,000,000 Protestants in twenty-five countries, went on record as believing that "the Reformed contribution to the wider ecumenical movement depends on our united witness."

When Ghandi's ashes were immersed in the Kelani River near Colombo it is reported that Methodists joined with Buddhists and Hindus in singing sacred hymns of India for a departed heathen.

The Mennonite Central Committee shipped more tons of material aid through CRALOG to Germany than all the groups participating in Church World Service combined. In addition to this they have resettled 5,000 refugees in Paraguay and Canada. Some 3,000 new refugees from Russia who are now in Western Germany will soon be resettled by the MCC.

The First Christian broadcasting station in Germany is to be established at Bamberg and to be operated under joint Protestant and Roman Catholic auspices. The station will be licensed by the American military government. Broadcasting may start by the end of the year.



Studebaker Out

Dr. John Ward Studebaker is longer U. S. Commissioner of Ed tion. Among other things he wa to say something about Communis our public schools in an address. higher ups" in the Administration him to softpedal such stuff. Studeb has long been known as an advoca the best in traditional American cation. He originated "the most prehensive and carefully-planned gram of public forums ever de under public auspices." He dislike ways of the propagandists. We more such in high office.

"Red Herring"?

Washington and the nation are over the revelations about Commu in government affairs. Unquestio the Congressional investigations their political aspects. Some of methods being used are open to tion. But is is not too long ago the Administration was lending ai comfort to the so-called "Sedition and using identically the same t to expose "Fascists". Enough has revealed in the current hearin establish the need for a housecle in Washington.

A Catholic Army?

Roman Catholics want to tr million or so men for the armed staffed by their own officer uni least, so the underground has seems that there is some loop war veterans legislation that allow it. New York Protestants addressed a letter to President T urging that the proposal be block cause such "a group in Americ der the influence of a foregin (the Vatican) with possible undis aims, could utilize this force fo vate ends, even for subversive p es."

BY - TALK

Brewers are to get tax refun breakage, leakage or losses in capping, pasteurizing or labeling was a piece of "hush-hush" legis that slipped through the Eightieth gress at the last minute whe "drys" weren't looking . . . . **Pre Truman's Vatican envoy** is still job despite his promises to Prot objectors. It is safe to say th Taylor will not be recalled befo coming presidential election. . . . **Shiskin,** recently appointed to position in Paris administerin Marshall Plan, has his name stationery of several organiz branded "Red" by the Hous American Affairs Committee.

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es Carry Missionaries--

iant twin-engine transport plane ased by the Foreign Mission de- ent of the Assemblies of God. off from Springfield, Mo., August route to Africa via Newfound- and Ireland.

emblies have worked out a sys- f air transports for their mission- in cooperation with Scandinavian onary Flights and the National ran Council of America which eventually belt the globe.

Science As Threat--

rles A. Lindbergh's new book, Flight and Life," has startled ica with its statement that ica must have a spiritual revival s successfully to combat science h is destroying the very civili- which created it." The one- "Lone Eagle" and World War st pilot and aeronautical con- t declares that the United States e only Western nation which has "great strength" and "it d now be branded on our con- ness that unless science is con- d by a greater moral force, it become the anti-Christ prophe- by early Christians."

ists Warn FMC--

Foreign Mission Board of the ern Baptist Convention has ered opposition to proposals for erger of the Foreign Missions rence of North America into National Council of the Churches hrist in the United States of ica (soon to succeed the FCCCA). either this board nor our con- ncy can support the plan to the Foreign Missions Conference the National Council of Church- aid the resolution.

ervers believe that such mer- if effected, would result in ern Baptist withdrawal from ipation in the FMC.

Presbyterian Bible--

ler preparation for nearly ten the Westminster Study Edi- of the Bible is being published 1, by the Westminster Press, ation division of the Presby- Church USA.

work—a new presentation of the James Version—will follow the ar text, but will not be divided hapters and verses. Subject heads e used which do not coincide with hapter divisions of the various

—UNITED ACTION—

New NAE Conference Set Up at Fort Wayne

FORT WAYNE, Ind.—A new regional conference of the National Association of Evangelicals was recently set up here by Rev. Harold G. Taylor, director for the Midwest Area.

Officers are: President, Rev. John Aeby, First Brethren Church; Vice-Pres., Rev. J. F. Gerig, Dean Fort Wayne Bible Institute; Secretary, Rev. Orlan Golden, United Missionary Church; Treasurer, Rev. Morris Klopfenstein, Evangelical Mennonite Church. Additional members of the executive committee are: Rev. S. A. Witmer, President Fort Wayne Bible Institute; Rev. C. J. Gerig, Missionary Church Association; Rev. L. J. Crist, First Free Methodist Church; Rev. L. B. Richardson, Assemblies of God; Rev. Carl Parlee, Harvester Missionary Church.

The conference is making plans to conduct a seminar for ministers on September 27. The subject is "How to increase the effectivness of the Sunday School."

YFC Leaders Heard Over ABC Network

CHICAGO—Dr. Robert A. Cook of Chicago, newly-elected president of Youth for Christ International, spoke to two nation-wide audiences in August over the ABC hookup through the courtesy of the National Association of Evangelicals. He reported to the country on the World Congress on Evangelism at Beatenberg, Switzerland, on Saturday, August 28.

Two other Youth for Christ leaders were heard on the August 14 and August 21 programs. Rev. Richard Harvey of St. Louis, Mo., one of the pioneers in this youth evangelism movement, was heard August 14, and Rev. Charles B. Templeton of Los Angeles, Calif. spoke from the West Coast August 21.

Portland Evangelicals Aid in Vanport Disaster

PORTLAND, Ore.—The Greater Portland Association of Evangelicals, active arm of the NAE in this area, figured prominently in relief activities during the recent Vanport flood disaster.

Along with the physical devastation and terror of the Columbia River flood came the spiritual need to which only the Gospel of Jesus Christ could minister. For the thousands of homeless, bewildered, and panic-stricken people there was a greater imperative than donations of food, clothing, and what money could supply. To meet that challenge Mr. Don Baker was appointed to act as full-time chaplain with headquarters at Swan Island, where nearly 2,000 of the refugees from Vanport were temporarily housed in barracks. Chaplain Baker was aided in his program by volunteers from various evangelical churches.

The Word of God was given out to the stricken evacuees through weekly Sunday school and church services, through personal visitation, and in a three-weeks Daily Vacation Bible School which had more than 200 children in attendance and over thirty workers in volunteer service. The closing exercises of the DVBS drew an attendance of some 500 and a listening audience of close to 1,000. From these services in less than five weeks there resulted approximately 300 definite conversions and for these new converts classes were conducted during the week. Almost every family was visited and dealt with personally by either the chaplain or other competent personal workers. To these destitute and soul-hungry people approximately 200 Bibles were distributed as well as countless numbers of New Testaments, Gospels of John and other religious literature such as tracts and booklets. Numerous churches and individuals were brought together in cooperative Christian effort in the ministry to the flood victims.

The Executive Committee of the Greater Portland Association of Evangelicals is composed of H. S. Lower, president; Simon E. Forsberg, vice-president; Deane M. Buckley, secretary; Carl A. Edstrom, treasurer; C. W. H. Sauerwein, Kenneth Eichenberger, V. A. Ballantyne, members-at-large; and William H. Nagel, consultative member.

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Dates Set for NAE Annual Observance

CHICAGO.—The annual observance of "NAE Week" has been set for October 31 to November 7 this year, according to a call issued from the national headquarters of the National Association of Evangelicals this week.

The purpose of the observance is to impart information to the evangelical churches of all denominations concerning the accomplishments and the program of the NAE. All members of the NAE are being urged to enlist in the emphasis and reach as many churches as possible with their message. On November 7 a special offering will be received in all churches joining the observance.

Full information concerning "NAE Week" may be secured from the Chicago office.

EDUCATION

Christian Schools Need Trained Teachers Soon

CHICAGO.—Many Christians who are teaching in public schools would appreciate an opportunity to work in Christian schools, believes Mr. Mark Fakkema, secretary of the NACS here. He is asking those interested to correspond with the teachers' agency of National Association of Christian Schools and he will gladly furnish application blanks upon request.

Some 100 new Christian day schools will open this fall; others in the near future, says Mr. Fakkema. Where the school boards are looking for teachers NACS will be happy to supply them with applicants.

All new schools which have not previously contacted the NACS are urged to do so and profit by the free services offered. Write to the National Association of Christian Schools, 542 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. This agency is affiliated with the National Association of Evangelicals.

Today's College Students Called 'Reluctant Pagans'

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—(RNS)—Today's college students are "reluctant pagans," and colleges are "uneasily secular," Dr. Merrimon Cuninggim, Professor of Religion at Pomona College, California, told the first National Conference of College and University Chaplains and Directors of Religious Life, held at Yale Divinity School here.

Dr. Cuninggim maintained that the paganism of college students is seen in at least three ways: in their religious knowledge, their attitudes, and their activities.

"None of us needs to be reminded of the abysmal ignorance of college students concerning the Bible and other matters of religion," he stated.

Results of investigations conducted by social psychologists, he added, show "a distrust, if not actually a contempt of the Church. They think it is hypocritical, too pious, unnecessarily trouble-making, useless, out-of-date, engaged in inconsequentials . . . . "

Some investigators, however, Dr. Cuninggim reported, feel that attitudes toward the Church are more favorable today than in the past; that though college students dislike the Church, they often still go; and that they believe very little merely because they think they ought to.

"This is not to say," he explained, "that they accept nothing in the theological catalogue. Actually they believe a good deal . . . . . they think they believe much less than they do; they think they are utter pagans; they love the term 'atheist' as a descriptive, and apply it to themselves with sor pride if they happen not to agree wi every detail of the last sermon th heard."

The college student shows his paga ism in actions more clearly than attitudes, Dr. Cuninggim continued. cited growing sexual promiscuity college campuses, heavy drinkir high-stake gambling in or near colle walls, and classroom dishonesty, a said these present a greater proble now than at any time since t Twenties.

But "theirs is a reluctant paganism he stated, "for they would gladly cape many of its attitudes, and if were shown to be useful, would ev give up some of its pleasant practic Their attachment to pagan attitudes even less secure than their adopti of pagan practices—they want to b lieve something else."

Dr. Cuninggim feel that 9½ out every 10 college students show ther selves to be genuinely responsive to t values of religion.

YOUTH

Beatenberg Conference Sets Evangelism Fires

Special to United Evangelical Action

BEATENBERG, Switzerland. Evangelical leaders present at t Youth for Christ Congress for Wo Evangelization held at the Beatenbe Bible Institute here August 15-22, f that the Congress and the more th 200 large rallies planned for the da following the Congress represent t largest evangelical effort of this ge eration.

The program presents a united fort, utilizing the ministries of seve hundred evangelists, pastors, you leaders, musicians, contact men a others to reach the major cities

Courtesy *The Banner*

GRAND RAPIDS (MICH.) CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL WHICH OPENS FOR 1948-49 SESSIONS THIS MONTH

The new Grand Rapids Christian High School building has been completed. Open House was held on June 2, and 3. The school is now equipped to accommodate 1,200 students. It provides facilities for new offices, scienc laboratories, domestic science, conference rooms for school pastor and dean of girls, a board room, study halls, a mechanical drawing, speech, and music rooms, library and twenty-five additional classrooms. It has been rated a one of the most modern and complete high schools in Michigan, a tribute to the willingness of evangelicals to provid the best possible plant for education on the secondary level for their youth.

with the Gospel in intensive cale youth rallies. Plans for angelization of the world in neration", have been discussed more than 600 delegates at the s with seminars relating to the s to be employed in the world ization such as radio, airplane, istic campaigns, publications, nducted by recognized leaders particular field.

wing the eight day congress, es are fanning out throughout ntries of Europe, conducting the han 200 mass rallies. Ten super are planned in key cities of the nt. More than 30,000 people outhern France are expected to the rally held in the Nimes, , Colosseum on August 28, 29. olosseum is the scene of the

BEAMING LEADERS

bert Cook, YFC President (left) Torrey M. Johnson, retiring head, ce over success of Beatenburg erence.

rs of early century Christians. Claude, powerful French evan- is the principal speaker for the seum rally with Dr. Robert Cook, lent of Youth for Christ, Inter- nal, Dr. Torrey Johnson, past lent of Youth for Christ, Interna- , Dr. Billy Graham and many Youth for Christ leaders also ipating. Both the President of e and the United States Am- dor Caffery have been invited to ally.

er super rallies have been plan- or the exclusive Hotel Martinez nnes, France, on September 1; hester, England on September 7 ich time more than 7,500 are ex- d; the Bislet Stadium in Oslo, ay, seating 30,000; in the Ancient n Forum, Rome, Italy on Sep- r 11; the Concert Gebouw Hall sterdam on September 11; two su- llies in Barcelona, Spain; a youth rence in Warsaw, Poland, and arge rallies in Basle, Geneva and n, Switzerland.

ween ten and fifteen evangelistic have been formed to conduct elistic meetings in the strategic ean centers.

Congress on World Evangelism een under the dirction of Dr. y M. Johnson and the post-con- e program on evangelism has set up by Rev. Robert P. Evans, secretary of Youth for Christ, ational.

President of China Praises YFC Work

CHICAGO—Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek, president of the Republic of China, has characterized the worldwide Youth for Christ movement as "deserving highest praise."

In a letter received by Dr. Torrey M. Johnson of Chicago for publication in the *Youth for Christ* magazine of which Dr. Johnson is editor-in-chief, China's Christian general said:

> There has been an increasing movement of the free people of the world toward religion since V-J Day.
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> Man has witnessed the tragic bankruptcy of materialism in two blighting world wars. He is now groping hopefully toward a spiritual answer to today's imperative questions. He is re-discovering the way of Christ.
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> In this revival of spiritual values, Christian youth has been in the forefront. Post-war youth is determined that theirs shall not be a lost generation.
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> For its notable part in this youth re-orientation, Youth for Christ is deserving of high praise.
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> Youth for Christ has been a great evangelizing force in the United States and other nations. It has translated the message of Christ into dynamic, convincing current speech. It has re-captured the fervor of the great revivalistic movements of the past.
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California Endeavorers Lead Thousands to God

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Over 4,000 young people made decisions for Christ in summer conferences conducted this year under the auspices of the California State Endeavor Union.

This organization has long been noted for the emphasis on the evangelical faith. It has 1,300 C. E. Societies in 550 churches of twenty-six denominations. Some 25,000 young people are enrolled.

Headquarters are maintained in the Chapman building here and the organization includes twenty-four county unions with active staff members serving every phase of youth work in the local churches.

Walther League to Strengthen Groups

PORTLAND, Ore.—Stress on developing the existing structure of the International Walther League, rather than growth through new chapters, is to be the policy of this Lutheran young people's organization in 1948-49. New members will be sought within local chapters rather than through new chapters.

Over 200 societies and 10,018 members were added to the organization last year.

Walther Leaguers have outlined plans to enlarge the League's office building in Chicago. The $35,000 necessary to finish the building will be solicited through a special offering in October.

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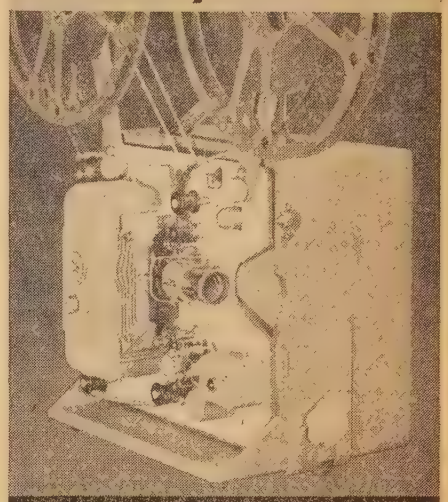

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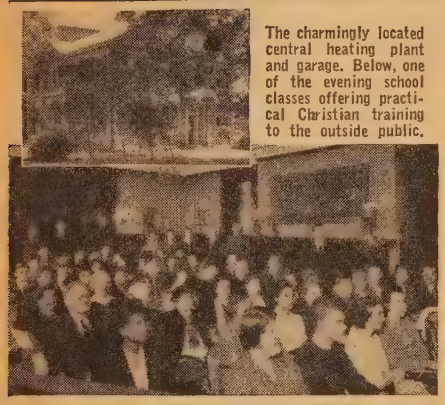

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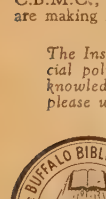

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New Bible Camp Inspires Action

ALLAGASH, Me.—Another step toward the establishment of evangelical youth camps in this area was taken here in the founding of the Aroostook Bible Camp this year. It opened for its first session July 12 and enrolled seventy young people.

The director of the camp was Rev. Phillip C. Hughey, pastor of the United Baptist Church of Presque Isle and a member of the board of directors of the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society. He was ably assisted by a number of pastors of the area.

Each evening the Camp conducted an evangelistic service in the Allagash Baptist Church. Some thirty received Christ as their personal Savior. About forty campers and counsellors dedicated their lives to missionary work.

RADIO

Kunming is Site for Broadcasting Station

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.—V. Alexander Bills and other members of the Churches of Christ have launched a project for the erection of a missionary broadcasting station at Kunming in Yunnan, West China. The organization will be known as the "Christian Radio Mission."

Present plans call for the expenditure of $50,000 (American) in the property and station equipment. The station will operate on a non-commercial basis and present programs of a religious, educational and cultural nature.

The site selected is one of the most strategic in southwest China and is near several independent missionary fields of the Churches of Christ.

Moody Bible Institute Granted Clear Channel

CHICAGO.—Officials of the Moody Bible Institute here announced that the FCC has ruled an increase in its FM station from 1000 watts to 50,000. The FCC has granted the Institute permission to change its call letters on its FM station from WDLM-FM, the initials of Dwight L. Moody, to WHBI-FM, because of the popularity of the call letters of its AM station WMBI. The twin stations broadcast programs of Bible studies, devotional talks, and sacred and classical music to five midwestern states.

WMBI announces, also, a new weekly series "Science Drives On." Four programs during the month of July in this series were on "Cancer."

Elsner Urges Study Of Radio Television

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—In a bulletin issued recently by the National Religious Broadcasters (an affiliate of the NAE) President Theodore H. Elsner urges members to study the development of television with a view to its use for the dissemination of the Gospel.

According to the NRB bulletin there are upwards of 300,000 TV receivers in use. The most optimistic estimates place the aggregate at 800,000 TV sets by the end of 1948. If the set manufacturers outdo themselves and produce two million sets in 1949, they may step

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Methodists Hold nday School Meet

S ANGELES, Calif.—The Free odist churches of California and na, including those of the Mexi- and Japanese Conferences, met st 24 to 26 in the Ontario Church great Sunday School Convention. adline speakers included A. L. n, of Winona Lake, Ind., de- national secretary of Sunday ols; Myron Boyd, the director of Light and Life Hour, worldwide broadcast; Alice Peterson of sto, Julia Mae Webber of Ash- Ore., and E. P. Boyd, the South- California Conference Superinten-

ecial music was furnished by the Fashioned Revival Hour Quartet, ence Green of Los Angeles and singing groups under the direc- of Ruth Harris of Anaheim, Calif.

The host church has been active in supporting the NAE and its pastor, William A. Hulet, is at present the secretary-treasurer of the Southwest District of the NAE.

Former Vice Center Now Church Assembly Grounds

ATLANTA, Ga.—(RNS)—There will be camp meetings in Atlanta's old Windsor Castle gambling and drinking grounds. There will be shouting where there was dancing; singing of Gospel hymns where there was gambling, and preaching where once there was vice.

Windsor Castle (on the Gainesville, Ga., highway thirteen miles from Atlanta), was once one of the South's most fabulous temples of vice. Its gambling rooms, cottages, dance halls, and saloons spread over fifty-six acres of land. It was the sort of place which had secret caches for liquors and gambling profits. Press a concealed button, and a wall would open.

The Church of God purchased the porperty and has converted it into a State Assembly Ground. Ministers of the denomination joined with laymen in building a tabernacle seating 3,000 persons. They have turned the cabins into "tents" for worshippers, converted what was once a dance and gambling hall into an apartment building and another dance hall into a cafeteria.

Each year the Churches of God from all over Georgia plan to conduct camp meeting services on the grounds.

MISSIONS

Evangelical Missionaries Seek Japan Recognition

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Evangelical missions in Japan have formed a new cooperative organization (UEA, Feb. 15, March 1,) known as the Evangelical Missions Association of Japan. It is cooperating with the EFMA, an affiliate of the National Association of Evangelicals.

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Dr. Clyde W. Taylor, executive se tary of EFMA here, believes that " day may not be far distant when th may be organized a national asso tion of evangelicals in Japan" al the lines of the NAE in the U

Inflation Is Decreasing Foreign Mission Program

MONTREAT, N. C.—(RNS)—Sou ern Presbyterians gave about half much to foreign missions last year they did twenty years ago, although total gift was larger because of in tion at home and abroad, according Dr. C. Darby Fulton of Nashv Tenn., executive secretary of fore missions of the General Assembly the Presbyterian Church in the Uni States.

Speaking at the denomination's nual foreign missions conference h Dr. Fulton said that as a result of situation it is impossible for church to maintain as great a progr of foreign missions as it did 20 ye ago.

In 1926, he pointed out, the chu supported 516 foreign missionar while today the total number is 36

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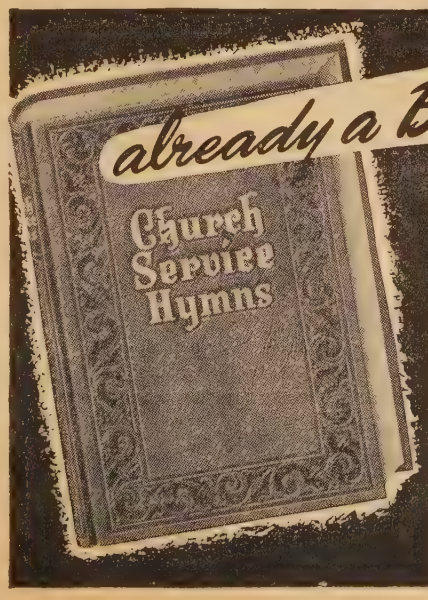

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Dr. Carl McIntire, pastor of Bible Presbyterian Church at Collingswood, N. J., and official of the American Council of Christian Churches, asserted that the council "claims to be the only Protestant council," obviously an indirect attack on the World Council of Churches, which is holding its fifth assembly at Amsterdam at the present time.

Some 100 delegates representing twenty-two countries attended the sessions of the eight-day assembly, held in the English Reformed church here, where the Pilgrim fathers worshipped before going to America.

Southern Baptists Are Branded by WCC Men

LONDON—(BP)—Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, has objected to a published charge that racial prejudice caused the Southern Baptist Convention to refuse participation in the World Council of Churches.

Dr. McCall is in London attending a meeting of the Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee. The statem to which he objected was made by Henry Smith Leiper, associate gene secretary of the World Council Churches, as he left New York, Augu 6 for Amsterdam to attend a meeti of the Council, and was published *The New York Times.*

"It is unfortunate, to say the leas Dr. McCall asserted, "that low moti should be ascribed specifically or implication to those religious bod which have not joined the World Cou cil.

"That is not the course to strength the ties of fellowship between eva gelical Christians. Rather it will story the genuine good which isted prior to any 'ecumenical mo ment.'" the Southern Baptist lead charged.

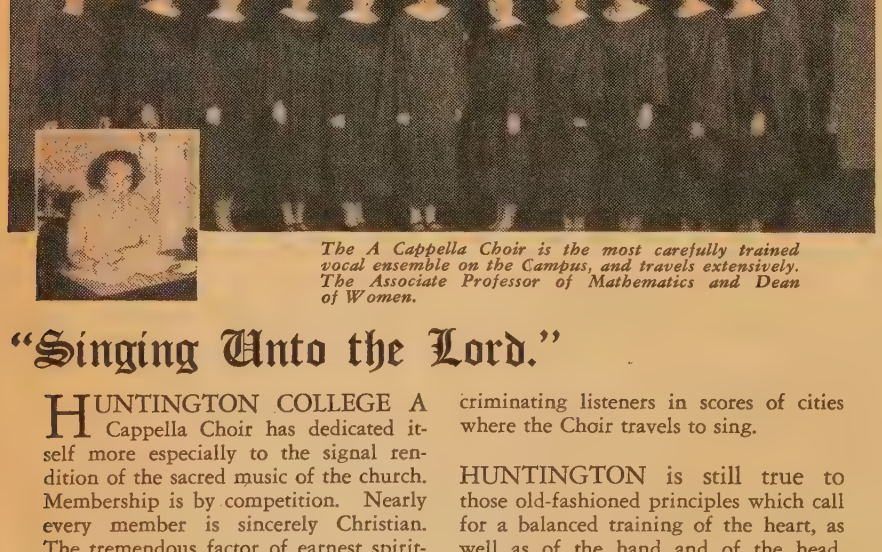
Denying that any racial implicatio are involved in Southern Baptist fusal to join the World Council, McCall cited that the Southern Bapt Convention is already a member of worldwide interracial fellowship — Baptist World Alliance.

Main reasons for Southern Bapt action ten years ago declining an in tation to World Council membersh were listed by Dr. McCall as follo

"1. Organizational: the inability the Convention to commit its indep dent Baptist churches to membersh in any other organization;

"2. Doctrinal: the belief that leadership of the World Council a its influence would favor theologi liberalism, and

"3. Historical: Baptists have ne been willing to submerge their c victions in a union movement and th fear that the ultimate goal of World Council is organic chur union."



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"Midnight Cry Crusade" To Emphasize Prophecy

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—A "Midni Cry Crusade" is being sponsored the World's Christian Fundament Association during a twelve mo period beginning Sept. 26 with a se of meetings arranged by Rev. Theod H. Epp's "Back to the Bible Bro cast." Emphasis will be upon proph and the purpose is "to prepare for coming of our Lord by holy livi earnest prayer and aggressive ev gelism."

Speakers already engaged for th conferences are Rev. Theodore H. E Rev. Ivan E. Olsen, director of Maranatha Bible Camp and Dr. P W. Rood, President of the WCFA

In Washington, D. C. the confere will be held October 25-31 in Grace Baptist Church, Dr. Martin Clough, pastor, and in Wallace morial United Presbyterian Church, C. E. Hawthorne, pastor. Evening sions will be held in both churc simultaneously. Dr. Louis S. Baur and Rev. Theodore H. Epp are alre engaged and others are being invite

The climax of the crusade will reached in an International Proph conference in the First Baptist Chu Minneapolis, Minnesota, Dr. Curtis Akenson, pastor. This conference begin September 18 and continue u September 25, 1949.

Mastery Month" Emphasize Epistle

TLE, Wash. — For the nine-year "Bible Mastery Month" observed by many evangelicals month of October. The plan was ed by Rev. C. J. Boppell of and has met with nationwide

committal this year is to read ster the First Epistle of John. me is "Fellowship with the Fa-e Son and Fellow Christians." enominations have adopted the n. Last year members of fifteen nations participated in forty four provinces of Canada and a, England, New Zealand and

mation and literature for the nce may be secured by address-. C. J. Boppell, 2666 37th Ave., eattle 6, Wash., and enclosing d envelope.

man Meetings New Hampshire

HESTER, N. H.—The evangeli-urches of southeastern New ire are cooperating in a "Christ" evangelistic campaign in the all here October 25 to November Hyman Appelman will be the list.

August 6 the third of a series paratory meetings was held in ter, Rev. George Schilling, pas-the True Memorial Baptist , presiding. Dave Cornell, Eas-presentative of the World Evan-on Crusade, brought the main e of the evening. Rev. Gordon gett, business manager for Dr. an, brought news of the current gns of the evangelist in Austra-

ern Baptists Set ngelistic Crusades

LAS, Texas—(RNS)—Two great listic crusades, together cover-e whole of the twenty-one-state the Southern Baptist Conven-re being planned by the evan-department of the denomina-Home Mission Board.

C. Y. Dossey, assistant superin-t of evangelism for the Board, e first crusade would include thern Baptist churches west of ssissippi river, and will begin aster Sunday 1950. The second clude all churches east of the and will begin Easter Sunday

Evangelism Serves ndreds of Thousands

TA MONICA, Calif.—Hundreds sands of children are now en-in classes of the International Evangelism Fellowship which has arters here.

ng outstanding reports recently d here are those from Muske-lich., and New York City. At gon 2,500 children are enrolled weekly classes taught by thirty rated women. In New York City sses reported 13,400 Bible verses ized, 800 professions of faith in Christ as Savior and 104 enlisted in Sunday Schools.

The ICEF is organized in every state of the United States and in every province of Canada and nearly every state and province has a full-time director. There are eight area superintendents and seventy-four state or province directors. There are thirty-two full-time foreign workers in seventeen countries. There are thirty-five full-time foreign workers under appointment to twenty countries.

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2,000 missionaries. The International Child Evangelism Institute Summer Session enrolled twenty-four students six of whom have already been appointed to foreign fields.

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The following were recently elected or re-elected as members of the ICEF executive committee: Rev. W. H. Werner, Rev. Ivan B. Shafer, Rev. M. L. Goodman, Mr. J. Irvin Overholtzer, Rev. V. F. Anderson and Dr. Wm. W. Orr.

Pacific Garden Mission Films Its Colorful Story

CHICAGO—The dramatic and colorful story of Pacific Garden Mission, historic Chicago rescue center, will be told on film, according to Harry Saulnier, mission director. The thirty-minute sound motion picture will employ a documentary technique using actual case histories from the mission files. It will be filmed in color by Cavalcade Productions..

Many of the scenes for the picture will be shot on the streets of Chicago's Skid Row, where the mission has been loated for seventy-one years. Included will be real-life stories of alcoholics and drug addicts who were converted at the mission.

Among the thousands of converts listed by Pacific Garden Mission are such famous figures as Mel Trotter and Billy Sunday. Trotter was a hopeless alcoholic on his way to commit suicide in Lake Michigan, when he was invited into the mission. After his conversion he himself entered mission work, and founded more than 66 rescue centers throughout the country. Billy Sunday, who first fell under conviction at a mission street meeting while he was a big league baseball player in Chicago, hit the sawdust trail in a blaze of zeal that won more than a million souls.

The new film will be available to local churches early this fall, Saulnier says. Groups interested in seeing the picture should write to Pacific Garden Mission, 646 South State Street, Chicago 5, for additional information.

—PUBLIC AFFAIRS—

Committee to Offset Leftist Social Action

SHEFFIELD, Mass.—A Churchmen's Committee on Civic Relations has been set up here to offset the political propaganda of "leftist Social Action Groups" seeking to bring political pressure in the name of evangelical denominations for subversive legislation. Dr. Howard E. Mather, pastor of Old Parish Church of Sheffield (Congregational), was chosen president. Vice president is Mr. Verne P. Kaub, of Madison, Wisc., author of *Collectivism Versus Christianity.*

The CCCR will be organized throughout the nation. According to Dr. Mather this is "A Grass Roots Voice of the rank and file, majority membership of the evangelical Christian churches in America, advocating a return to the Christian ideology upon which, the American 'New Order of the Ages' was founded; the rejection of the Marxian, atheistic, class s philosophy of hate and violence the application of Christian Prin of universal justice to the proble the social order: repudiating an posing the self constituted deno tional Social Action 'agencies', erroneously identify the Christia cial ethic with Marxian Soci Communism and the welfare stat falsely pretend to speak fo churches in their pressure grou tics on the legislative bodies o nation."

Klassen Predicts Collapse Of Communism in Russia

NEWTON, Kan.—(RNS)—The lapse of the Communist dictators the Soviet Union was forecast he C. F. Klassen, director of Menn Central Committee Relief in Eu speaking at recent sessions of the Mennonite Conference. Indicating the Central Committee was rea organize relief work in Russia, Kl recommended that Church mem start submitting names of last k addresses of kin believed to be alive in Russia.

Klassen, reporting on refuge tivities, suggested the possibili

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VTON, Kan.—(RNS)—Revitali-
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Guy F. Hershberger of Goshen
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England in a igious Decline

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There is undoubtedly a larger proportion of the population unevangelized and a higher degree of ignorance of the way of salvation than at any time in the past century, concluded the statement.

"Peacemakers" Launch Disobedience to Draft

CHICAGO—(RNS)—A group of clergymen, Quakers, and their followers, meeting here under the auspices of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, launched a movement for pacifism and civil disobedience to the draft.

Delegates to the session adopted a resolution in which they dedicated themselves to "the life of non-violence and to a complete break with war and the war system."

The resolution pledged those subject to the draft to refuse "to register or render any service." Those not subject to the draft promised to "fully associate themselves with those who refuse to register or render any conscript service and openly advocate that young men follow this course."

Many of the clergymen are active in the affairs of the Federal Council of Churches.

Dixon to Have Parochial School

SANTA FE, N. M.—(RNS)—A parochial school, staffed by Dominican nuns, will be opened in Dixon, N. M., in time for the start of the fall semester, it was announced by Archbishop Edwin V. Byrne of Santa Fe.

Dixon, which has two public schools, has been in the news since the filing of a suit to ban Catholic clergymen and nuns from teaching in the schools. Last month the high school, owned by a Catholic order, was loaned to the Rio Arriba county board of education, after five nuns who taught there refused to sign 1948-49 contracts.

Schools Debate Future Of Released-time Plan

MARION, Ind.—Classes in Bible instruction will be held again this fall in public schools here, it was announced by Orville Hooker, city superintendent of schools.

At the same time, an announcement from Bluffton, Ind., said the Wells County Council of Religious Education had decided not to conduct a religious education program during the coming school year.

In Bluffton, where the Religious Education Council announced no program would be conducted in county schools next year, it was said the decision came after "serious consideration."

"It was unanimously decided," the statement declared, "that to attempt to follow last year's plan under the present circumstances and ruling of the Supreme Court and opinion of the attorney general's fice in Indiana, might lead to tagonism of the program itself might further cause liquidation w in the opinion of the committee sh be avoided, specially by a group w foundation is the Church."

WICHITA, Kan.—Continuation Wichita's week-day religious educa program was approved here by a 5 to 4 vote of the board of educa The board specified, however, tha action could be reconsidered in event of a new court ruling on a gram similar to week-day church c es conducted here.

"Released-time" Object Of Attack in Brooklyn

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—The lates tack on "released time" religious cation is aimed at restricting reli training to churches and home hours which do not interfere wit regular public schedules.

The attack (UEA, August 15) the support of the American Civ berties Union, the American J Committee and the American J Congress.

A similar action is pending in a brought by Arthur Garfield Ha behalf of Joseph Lewis of the thinkers of America. Lewis' suit behalf of atheists while the pr case is on behalf of a Protestan a Jew. Further, Lewis' case at Brooklyn's "released-time" regu on its face but the pending cas attempt to show the regulation's es.

The attack is considered typi what may be expected throughou nation where Jews and Freethi are aggressive.

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$2,500,000 Addition To Baptist Hospital

ATLANTA, Ga.—Georgia Ba have authorized immediate con tion of a $3,500,000 wing addit their hospital here. The Baptist pital Commission has announce $2,000,000 of the sum needed i in hand.

—PERSONALIA—

Hyman J. Appelman and **H Britton** who have led thousan Christ during a three months campaign in Australia are ret to the United States on or September 10. Plans are on fo a return engagement in Austra 1951 or 1952.

Theodore W. Anderson, presid the Mission Covenant Church America, will arrive in New September 14 from a Europea in which he met Mission Co leaders in Sweden, Denmark, Ge and Belgium. He participated conference of European Co Churches at Berne, Switzerland.

Kenneth Taylor conferred with denominational Christian lead Latin America recently concer

translation of Moody Bible
s film "The God of Creation."
is journey he attended the
fth anniversary celebration of
American Mission.

L. Wendt has been appointed
cutive of the Bible Meditation
n the Texas area. His head-
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Taylor, pastor of First Baptist
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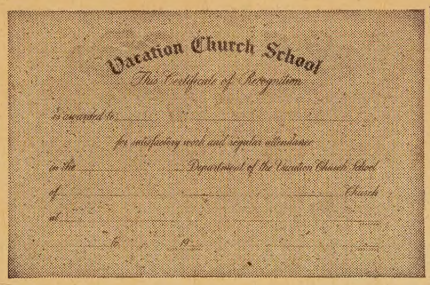

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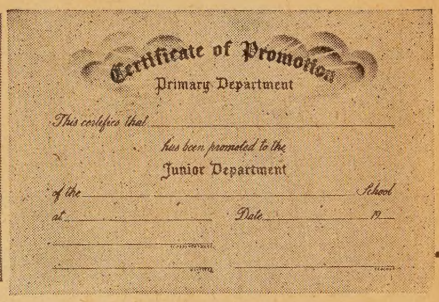

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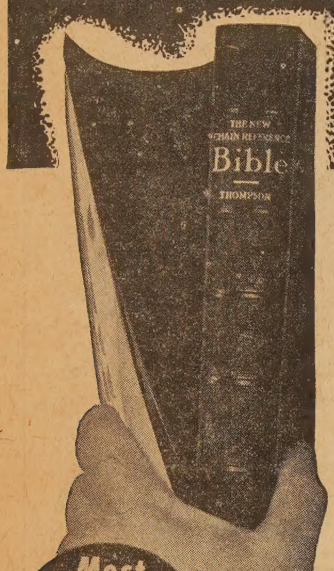

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